(1) Shri A. B. Patwardhan, Ambassador of India to Vietnam.

(2) Smt. S. Patwardhan, Wife of the Indian Ambassador

(3) Master H. Patwardhan, Son of the Indian Ambassador

(4) Dr. D. R. Bansal. Director Department of Education New Delhi

(5) Dr. S. K. Saini, Reader, population Education Cell, NCERT New Delhi

(6) Dr. R. M. Mishra. Director Population Education Cell and Principal State Institute of Education. Allahabad.

(7) Shri H. S. Gill, Director, SISE & Population Education Project. Co. No. 66-67, Sector 17-A, Chandigarh.

(8) Shri S. A. Ramakrishna Rao, Director DSERT & Population Cell, Bangalor, Karnataka.

(9) Dr. B. K. Bali. Director, SCERT & P. E. Cell. Solan (Himachal Pradesh)

(10) Dr. I. P. Mowani, Director, State Institute of Education and Population Education Cell Raikhad. Ahmedabad (Gujarat)

(11) Mr. S. Devdas. Representative of Cimmco in Hanoi (Vietnam)

(b) The Vietnam airlines plane had a total complement of 80 persons of these 74 were killed in the tragic accident. six were hospitalized in serious condition. There was no Indian national among the survivors.

(c) According to reports the plane crashed about six kilomoters from Don Muang International Airport, Bangkok. As a result of this crash, it exploded and burst into flames. It was also reported that it may have been struck by lightning in the storm that was raging in the area. The Govt. of Vietnam is conducting an enquiry regarding this disaster.

(d) Mandatory compensation is to be paid by the Civil Aviation Authorities of Vietnam. Our Embassy in Hanoi has been told that compensation will be governed by the Warsaw Convention and the Hague Protocol. According to these, compensation for each passenger would be 250,000 Frencch Gold Frances (Approximately Rs. 3 lakhs). Compensation for baggage will be @ 250 French Gold Francs (Approximately Rs. 300) per Kg. and an amount of 5000 French Gold Francs (approximately Rs. 6000) for hand carried baggage per person.

All passengers travelling on the Vietnam Airlines are insured with the Vietnam Insurance Company. This company is expected to notify shortly the procedures for getting compensation.

Facilities were accorded for the return of the bodies to India, by air, at the cost of Government of India, UNDP and the employer respectively.

**Refugees infiltration from Burma**

731. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN:
DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: *

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any refugee infiltration from Burma has taken place in India with the beginning of the current mass movement against the military dictatorship in that country;

(b) if so, what is the extent of such infiltrations and the number of refugees accommodated, so far; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to stop such infiltrations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As on 8-11-1988, 204 Burmese refugees had entered India and have been given shelter.

(c) In line with India's humanitarian traditions, Government does not intend to use force to prevent such refugees from entering nor to force them back, to death or prison.